

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA
NORTHERN DIVISION

DAVID COOPER, #7743

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Plaintiff,

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v.

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2:06-CV-418-MHT

DR. NICHOLS, *et al.*,

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Defendants.

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ORDER ON MOTION

Upon consideration of the motion for leave to file filed by Plaintiff on August 14, 2006 in which Plaintiff seeks leave to file a motion for appointment of counsel, and for good cause, it is

ORDERED that the motion (Doc. No. 62) be and is hereby GRANTED.

Plaintiff requests appointment of counsel. A plaintiff in a civil case has no constitutional right to counsel. While an indigent plaintiff may be appointed counsel pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1915(e)(1), a court retains broad discretion in making this decision. *See Killian v. Holt*, 166 F.3d 1156, 1157 (11th Cir.1999).

Here, the court finds from its review of the complaint that Plaintiff is able to adequately articulate the facts and grounds for relief in the instant matter without notable difficulty. Furthermore, the court concludes that Plaintiff's complaint is not of undue complexity and that he has not shown that there are exceptional circumstances justifying

appointment of counsel. *See Kilgo v. Ricks*, 983 F.2d 189, 193 (11th Cir. 1993); *Dean v. Barber*, 951 F.2d 1210, 1216 (11th Cir. 1992); *see also Fowler v. Jones*, 899 F.2d 1088, 1096 (11th Cir. 1990). Therefore, in the exercise of its discretion, the court shall deny Plaintiff's request for appointment of counsel at this time. The request may be reconsidered if warranted by further developments in this case.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion for Appointment of Counsel be and is hereby DENIED.

Done, this 15th day of August 2006.

/s/ **Delores R. Boyd**
DELORES R. BOYD
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE